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Report Highlights:

This is an UNOFFICIAL English translation of the People's Republic of China announcement no. 144 on the import of animal origin animal feed products and should be used as a guide only. Exporters should carefully discuss regulations and their application with Chinese importers to ensure that their interpretation of the regulation is accurate.

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This report was prepared by the Office of Agricultural Affairs of the USDA/Foreign Agricultural Service in Beijing, People's Republic of China for U.S. exporters of domestic food and agricultural products. While every possible care was taken in the preparation of this report, information provided may not be completely accurate either because policies have changed since its preparation, or because clear and consistent information about these policies was not available. It is highly recommended that U.S. exporters verify the full set of import requirements with their foreign customers, who are normally best equipped to research such matters with local authorities, before any goods are shipped. FINAL IMPORT APPROVAL OF ANY PRODUCT IS SUBJECT THE IMPORTING COUNTRY'S RULES AND REGULATIONS AS INTERPRETED BY BORDER OFFICIALS AT THE TIME OF PRODUCT ENTRY.

Summary

This is an unofficial English translation of the joint announcement from the Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) and the State Administration for Entry-Exit Inspection and Quarantine (CIQ) that was first published on March 1, 2001. This announcement regulates animal feed products of animal origin. Animal origin feed products from countries that are known to have BSE or Scrapie are prohibited. In addition, this announcement requires certain language on the exporting country sanitary certificate. CIQ, as mentioned in the announcement, has since merged with the State Administration for Quality Supervision, Inspection, and Quarantine (AQSIQ). Again, this announcement was first published on March 1, 2001.

Joint Announcement from the Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) and the State Administration for Entry-Exit Inspection and Quarantine (CIQ) of the People's Republic of China (No. 144)

In order to prevent BSE and Scrapie from entering China, China forbids importation of any feed products made of animal materials from countries or areas suffering from BSE or Scrapie. China discontinued importing feed products made of animal materials from EU countries on January 1, 2001. The Ministry of Agriculture (MOA) and the State Administration for Entry-Exit Inspection and Quarantine (CIQ) jointly announce the following for the purpose of strengthening the management on imported feed products made of animal origin and preventing any prohibited feed products from entering China through or from a third country.

Article I. Imported feed products made of animal materials shall be registered and certified by MOA based on the "Regulation for Registration Management on Imported Feed and Feed Additives" (CH1057). The MOA shall issue the "Registration Certificate for Importing Feed Products Made of Animal Materials" to an applicant.

Article II. Before signing a contract to import feed products made of animal materials, an importer shall apply to CIQ to obtain the "Entry License for Animal or Plant Quarantine." A copy of the "Registration Certificate for Importing Feed Products Made of Animal Materials" shall be attached.

Article III. Imported feed products shall meet Chinese quarantine requirements.

- 1. An original copy of the sanitary certificate issued by the official quarantine authorities of the exporting country or area shall be attached.
- 2. The export sanitary certificate shall state as follows:
 - a) The feed product uses animal materials from the exporting country.
 - b) The feed products does not contain anything made of animal materials from a third country.
 - c) The feed product does not contain anything contaminated by animal materials from a third country.

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- 3. The certificate shall state clearly the varieties of animals that are used for making the feed products.
- 4. Imported feed products shall be the same as stated in the certificate.
- 5. Imported feed products shall be quaratined and shall meet Chinese quarantine requirements. Unqualified feed products shall be treated so as to make the feed products comply with Chinese quarantine requirements.

Article IV. For feed products shipped prior to this regulation and without the statement as described in Section 2 and Section 3 of Article III, the exporting country inspection and quarantine authorities shall make a supplementary statement to certify that the feed products comply with Section 2 and Section 3 of Article III.

Article V. Any feed products that fail to meet the above mentioned requirements shall be returned or destroyed.

VI. Feed products mentioned in this regulation refer to any processed feed made of animals or animal related materials for the purpose of feeding animals.